

Candidate nominations for 2019 HKADC Nomination Exercise to commence today

The Hong Kong Arts Development Council (HKADC) announced today (August 30) the commencement of the third phase "Nomination of Candidates" of the 2019 Nomination of Representatives of Arts Interests for the HKADC (the Nomination Exercise), while encouraging arts practitioners who wish to seek candidature to submit their applications as soon as possible.

Voter registration of the 2019 Nomination Exercise was completed on August 9, with 6 853 voters registered. The HKADC encourages the arts community to take an active role in the third phase of the exercise, and urges those who aspire to represent their respective interests to participate in the work of the HKADC and seek candidature.

The two-week candidate nomination period begins today until 5pm on September 13 (Friday). Each candidate must be a registered voter of the arts interest for which he or she intends to stand as a candidate. He or she must be nominated by at least five proposers, or 1 per cent of the total number of registered voters in the same arts interest (whichever is higher). A proposer must be a registered voter of the same arts interest as the prospective candidate, and can nominate only one candidate in this Nomination Exercise. The numbers of proposers required for each arts interest for the 2019 Nomination Exercise are as follows:

Arts Interest	Number of Proposers Required
Arts Administration	5
Arts Criticism	5
Arts Education	8
Dance	6
Drama	9
Film Arts	5
Literary Arts	9
Music	12
Visual Arts	14
Chinese Opera (Xiqu)	5

Applicants seeking candidature should submit completed forms together with all required supporting documents to Tri-Leaves Promotion Limited – the Nomination Agent appointed by the HKADC – in person or by their authorised persons on or before the deadline.

The Nomination Agent will hold a meeting with the duly nominated candidates (or their representatives) tentatively scheduled for September 18 (Wednesday) on electioneering and polling arrangements. Other details of these activities will be announced later. Dates of the candidate forum and polling for the Nomination Exercise are scheduled as follows:

Candidate forum: October 5 (Saturday) and October 6 (Sunday)

Polling: October 20 (Sunday) and October 21 (Monday)

Registered voters will receive from the Nomination Agent the voter notification letters. Those who have not received the letter by September 4 may contact Ms Elizabeth Huang or Ms Serenade Woo at 3956 1408 or email: info@voteforhkadc2019.hk. Guidelines for nomination of candidates, candidate application forms and other information regarding the Nomination Exercise are available at the Nomination Exercise website: www.voteforhkadc2019.hk.

The HKADC is a statutory body set up to promote the development of arts in Hong Kong. The term of office of its current members, including representatives of 10 arts interests, will expire on December 31, 2019. The HKADC is conducting the Nomination Exercise to nominate representatives of arts interests for the Chief Executive's consideration for appointment as members of the HKADC for the next term.